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Yau Ma Tei	Dep. 6.50	6.25	10.35	12.05	1.40	4.40	6.35	7.15
Shatin	Dep. 7.00	6.35	10.40	12.10	1.45	4.45	6.40	7.20
Tai Po	Dep. 7.10	6.45	10.45	12.15	1.50	4.50	6.45	7.25
Tai Po Market	Dep. 7.20	6.55	10.50	12.20	1.55	4.55	6.50	7.30
Fanning	Dep. 7.30	7.05	10.55	12.25	2.00	5.00	6.55	7.35
Shum Chun	Dep. 7.40	7.15	11.00	12.30	2.05	5.05	7.00	7.40
Shum Chun	Arr. 7.45	7.20	11.05	12.35	2.10	5.10	7.05	7.45

STATIONS	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
Shum Chun	Dep. 7.50	7.25	11.10	12.40	2.15	5.15	7.10	7.50
Shum Chun	Dep. 8.00	7.35	11.15	12.45	2.20	5.20	7.15	7.55
Fanning	Dep. 8.10	7.45	11.20	12.50	2.25	5.25	7.20	8.00
Tai Po Market	Dep. 8.20	7.55	11.25	12.55	2.30	5.30	7.25	8.05
Tai Po	Dep. 8.30	8.05	11.30	13.00	2.35	5.35	7.30	8.10
Shatin	Dep. 8.40	8.15	11.35	13.05	2.40	5.40	7.35	8.15
Yau Ma Tei	Dep. 8.50	8.25	11.40	13.10	2.45	5.45	7.40	8.20
Kowloon	Dep. 9.00	8.35	11.45	13.15	2.50	5.50	7.45	8.25

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OUR LONDON LETTER.

HOW LONDON NIGHT CLUBS MIGHT BE SUPPRESSED.

A DEMAND FOR PRE-WAR FREEDOM FOR THE PUBLIC.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CRYSTAL PALACE REDIVIVUS.

It is interesting to find the Crystal Palace being used for the big dinner which is taking place in London this week in connection with the International Railway Congress. The Crystal Palace used to be a great place for functions of all kinds. It was there that the Italian Liberator, Garibaldi, spoke to an audience of 25,000 people over sixty years ago. When the Sultan Abdul Aziz was in England in the summer of 1867, the first chief of the Mussulmans to visit this country, there were great doings at the Crystal Palace, and the Sultan gave £1,000 to the fund for its restoration after the fire of the previous winter. The Viceroy of Egypt two years later was feted there; and Ferdinand de Lesseps, in 1870 was honoured by an audience of 20,000 people. The Palace was long a place in which the Royal Family took great interest since it originated with the Prince Consort, and Queen Victoria regarded it as a sacred trust on that account. When the late Duke of Eile and Princess Louise of Wales were married a public fete took place at the Palace. This week's celebration is a reminder that the Crystal Palace is not forgotten yet.

MONEY FOR BUSINESS.

A concession which has long been desired by industrialists has been promised in the next Budget by the Government. Business people feel that the portion of their profits which they set aside as reserves for future development of their business ought not to be subject to income-tax. If they can convert the Treasury to their way of thinking it will mean that the money available for business expansion will be increased by 20 per cent. To have granted the concession at once would have meant a loss of £7,000,000 in revenue, and that could not be faced at the eleventh hour of the Budget's destiny.

THE FAR-REACHING SHINGLE.

If anyone tells my lady readers that shingling is going out, I trust they will not believe it. The London ladies' barbers are quite busy every day with new customers. Shingling has come to stay for a long time. The result is far-reaching. Women want a young complexion to go with the new shape of the shingling head. They also want hats made to measure to fit the head whose tresses have disappeared. Shoes, too, are affected: the smart contour of the head revealed by the shingle needs smart shoes to match. Dresses, naturally, have to suit the new style, and even the fashion in jewellery has to be specially adapted in order that the tout-ensemble may harmonise.

"JINKS" AND THE CLUBS.

A demand is being made on behalf of clubs and hotels for the restoration of pre-war rights which were taken away when "Dora" was supreme. The hours of supply of alcoholic drinks in London clubs are limited to nine, and in the country to eight. Before the war the hours were fixed to suit the convenience of members in particular clubs, because different localities have different needs. Sometimes it happens that clubs are most unfairly refused extension of hours; it depends on the licensing justices to whom application has to be made. The "Pussy-foot" justices always say "No." Sir William Joynton Hicks, who goes by the nickname "Jinks," is finding as Home Secretary that the demands referred to for the old facilities rather awkward. He is a teetotaler of 43 years' standing, and is somewhat susceptible to pressure applied by the section of opinion commonly regarded as "Pussy-foot." On the other hand Sir William is a Conservative, and as such he knows very well the hatred of the average Conservative to kill-joys who are so keen to interfere with the personal liberties of other people. It is expected that he will not allow his own preferences to dictate the conditions on which the majority of his fellow-countrymen may live their lives.

NIGHT CLUBS.

Restoration of full freedom in the pre-war sense to clubs and hotels would do more than anything to get rid of night clubs. These undesirable places would then automatically cease to exist. They are patronised only because people cannot get reasonable facilities for refreshment in a normal, wholesome way. The fact is at last beginning dawn on the great wise and eminent persons who sit in the seat of legislation at Westminster. Nothing surprises Englishmen coming home from the Far East and other quarters of the globe than to discover it is impossible to obtain a glass of wine or a whisky and soda in London after ten o'clock at night. No wonder the night clubs have sprung up like mushrooms everywhere and do a roaring trade. The shortening of hours was decided on—and accepted as a war-time measure on the solemn assurance that it was purely temporary—because it was said restriction would remove from munition workers the temptation to imbibe when they ought to be making shells or guns. But it is now seven years since the war ended, and the restrictions remain. It

illustrates the danger of allowing interference with the rights and privileges of the public. Also, a cynic would probably say it illustrates how foolish it is to trust to the promises of politicians.

CONCERNING HOUSING.

The wisdom of the policy of rejecting State control of housing schemes—which is merely Socialism in practice—and getting private enterprise to get on with the production of houses is being thoroughly justified. Sir Kingsley Wood, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, announces that houses are now being built at the rate of 140,000 a year, a figure never achieved before. It is an awkward facer for the Socialists.

THE OIL INDUSTRY.

The interdependence of different countries in the matter of trade was emphasised by some remarks by Mr. W. H. Samuel at the meeting of shareholders in the "Shell" Transport and Trading Co. in London this week. There has been decreased oil production, and yet the Company's profit had not been affected, the reason being that methods of distribution have been improved. The basis of competition in the oil industry, it is stated, has shifted from the race to produce oil, and is now centred on how to bring it to the consumer most economically.

In spite of the fact that there was a slight decline in the world production of oil last year a low price prevailed, and this is accounted for by Soviet action in Russia, where the people were debarraged from consuming the local oil supplies in order that the latter should be available as an exportable exchange commodity. Other causes were the civil commotion in China, the after effects of the earthquake in Japan, and the curtailment of European consumption by low purchasing power and exchange fluctuations. So it is clear that events or political action in one country has effects in manifold directions.

THE KING AND QUEEN AT OXFORD.

The King and Queen visited Oxford this week, the former for the first time since he came to the Throne, and attended the Quater-centenary of the foundation of Christ Church. The occasion was an all-University Festival, but the undergraduates were not much in evidence, while their elders were very much in the ascendant. There were speeches, but their Majesties walked through the gardens, and chatted pleasantly with many of the distinguished people present, and afterwards attended service in the Cathedral.

Times have changed since the late King Edward went to Christ Church when he was Prince of Wales. It was on a visit to his old College some years after he had been there as a student at that ancient seat of learning. It was the last time till this week there has been a Royal visit. An escort of mounted police mistook the usual "rag" for a serious riot, and galloped through the streets clubbing people right and left. As all the functionaries civic and academic were in Christ Church hall there was nobody to stop this proceeding. Several dons including the present Lord Birkenhead, were arrested, but acquitted of rioting. The undergraduates retaliated by hauling one policeman off his horse with a grapple and suspending him in mid-air in the Turf.

Those present on this occasion had a rich store of historical memories to muse over as they walked about the beautiful grounds. It was at Christ Church that Cranmer dressed in mock robes knelt to be degraded by Bonner before the prison doors closed upon him. Then there was the prelate whose tercentenary falls this year—Bishop Fell, associated with the lines, "I do not like thee Dr. Fell; The reason why I cannot tell." Yet Fell was a great man, although only remembered by an undergraduate jest. He founded the University Press. Christ Church was also the College of Ruskin and Gladstone.

For many years the question of tithes has been a sore point with the laity who have been compelled to pay them. Now, at last an attempt is made to put the matter on a sound basis in the shape of a Tithes Bill which will get a second reading in the House of Commons this week. But it is a rather complicated piece of legislation, and I have heard grave doubts expressed whether it will work out satisfactorily either to the payers of tithes or the owners.

It is proposed to fix the tithes rent charge at £108 10s. per annum, and to hand over the collection and control to the Queen Anne's Bounty Fund. Of this sum £4 10s. goes as a sinking fund which at the end of 85 years will abolish the tithes altogether, and £5 will be paid as rates, so that the parson will be guaranteed £100 a year as tithes less the cost of collection. There are other complex provisions, but the foregoing are the essential points. I believe that clergy as a whole are pleased with the Bill because it gives them a definite sum as income, instead of leaving tithes as hitherto a varying amount which is determined on the price of wheat over an average of seven years.

(Continued on next Column).

COLONIAL GOVERNORS.

CHANGES DELAYED BY HONGKONG POSITION.

Referring to the sanction given by the Colonial Office to Sir Reginald Stubbs to delay his departure from Hongkong until the situation here has cleared, *The China Express and Telegraph* says, this may defer the many changes in the Colonial Service, which are awaiting decision at the moment.

It was expected, says this journal, that, as in the case of Sir Frederick Lugard, now basking in the glorious sunshine of a real English summer, Sir Reginald would be transferred to Nigeria. Sir Hugh Clifford's transfer to Ceylon has left a difficult gap to fill there. Sir Edward Grigg has just been appointed to Kenya, there are changes pending in the West Indies, the Governor there having been appointed to a Permanent Under-Secretaryship in the Colonial Office, and no one has yet been found for Sir Cecil Rodwell, who has finished his term in Fiji. The presence in England of various Colonial Governors, including Sir Laurence Guillemard, who has had his period of office at Singapore extended, has facilitated a number of necessary promotions and appointments, but never, probably, has there been a time when so many important vacancies in the Colonial Service have occurred simultaneously.

What with the Shamoan affair and its demands upon the resources of Hongkong, not to speak of the general strike and unrest in the Colony itself (for which, happily, the Colony was more fully prepared than the agitators thought as an outcome of its experience in the winter of 1922-23), Sir Reginald Stubbs has a most unpleasant task before him, says the journal. "He has declared his determination to 'see it through,' and when his release will come no one can say."

"A SILLY RUMOUR."

JAPANESE CONSUL-GENERAL ON "DEPORTATION ORDER."

"A silly rumour," is the way Mr. Y. Murakami, Consul-General for Japan in Hongkong, described the story current in the Colony that the order has gone forth that all Japanese—excepting the Consular staff—are to be deported.

One version was to the effect that the Hongkong Government had issued the order, while the other stated that instructions had been issued from Tokyo. "Doubtless the Japanese have been spread by parties interested in causing a break in the traditional friendship of Great Britain and Japan," said Mr. Murakami, to a *Daily Press* representative yesterday.

"To most people, it may appear superfluous for me to issue a refutation, but I am a firm believer in nailing such lies to the counter, and trust the Chinese Press will reproduce the denial, after reading it in the *Daily Press*."

THE CHINA STATION.

RECENT NAVAL APPOINTMENTS.

The appointments given below have recently been made by the Admiralty:—Commander F. Ratsey to *Triton*, and Wt. Tel. T. F. Perrow to *Tamar*.

For the cruiser *Carlisle* Captain R. S. MacFarlan, at present at Shanghai, a new crew is to be sent out from Portsmouth Depot, her present commission of 24 years expiring on August 3rd. It is expected that the relief crew will be sent out in the *Weymouth*, which will be detached from the Nore Reserve. Among the officers appointed to the *Carlisle* is Lieut.-Commander K. H. Grant, formerly in command of the destroyer *Wrecker*.

ROYALTY IN SCOTLAND.

It seems that Scotland is to have a very full share of Royalty and Royal functions in the course of the late summer and early autumn of this year. Recently it was decided that Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles with their children would settle at Aberfeldie for a long holiday in the autumn, and the Highlanders are looking forward with the utmost eagerness to the visit. Princess Mary and her husband will be there while the King and Queen are at Balmoral Castle, and both their Majesties and the Princess have undertaken to perform various ceremonial duties during their holiday.

Then, it has been arranged that His Royal Highness Prince Henry will pay a visit to Edinburgh towards the end of July; and the Duke and Duchess of York are to take part in a number of public functions in Aberdeen at the beginning of September. It is evident that the liking of the Royal Family for Scotland which Queen Victoria always showed is well maintained. There are some talk of the Prince of Wales taking over Aberfeldie Castle as an autumn holiday residence, but this will not materialise, the Prince prefers his ranch in Alberta where he is able to get right away from routine and convention, and it is understood, therefore, that this Scottish seat will eventually be handed over to Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles.—H.B.

MISSIONARIES AND THE CHINA CRISIS.

ARCHDEACON BARNETT REBUKED BY SIR JOHN JORDAN.

THE ARCHDEACON'S REPLY.

The attitude of some of the foreign mission workers with regard to the trouble in China is not, in the least, likely to mend matters, says the *China Express and Telegraph* of July 2nd. Their opinions on topics outside the missionary sphere carry little weight in ordinary circumstances, but at the present juncture they are liable to be juggled with by the instigators of the disorder to the detriment of every foreign interest in the country.

This week Archdeacon Barnett, who recently retired from Hongkong, has been sharply pulled up by Sir John Jordan. The Archdeacon was reported to have said that "the Chinese students had a grievance as they felt their country was being prostituted to the advantage of foreign Powers and were impatient at the slowness of the Western Powers in revising obsolete treaties."

Sir John, whose voice in all matters relating to China commands the fullest respect, promptly drew attention to the great harm which statements of this kind are likely to do in China. On the day before that on which the Archdeacon made his statement, said Sir John, his fellow-residents in Shanghai were being shot down by Chinese students trained and led by Russian Bolsheviks, and the Archdeacon's remarks were not calculated to have a restraining effect upon the students, or to avert the grave peril to which his countrymen in Canton and elsewhere in China were exposed. As a friend of missionaries, he ventured to remind them that they enjoy greater privileges in China than other foreigners, and by appealing to them to refrain from injudicious comments on the present situation.

In reply the Archdeacon wrote that Sir John's judgment was based upon an address delivered by him at the annual reunion of the Victoria Diocesan Association in London, and apparently had been read as an expression of his own opinion, whereas he was but quoting well-known anti-foreign propaganda common to student centres in China to-day. Speaking, he said, to many who had a first-hand knowledge of South China, it seemed necessary to a fair presentation of the position that the students' claims, as set forth by themselves, should be stated. Without such setting it was impossible to understand how Bolshevik propaganda, so foreign to Chinese training and mentality, should have captured, during recent years, the student centres of the country. Playing upon a patriotism new born, often sentimental, and smarting under supposed wrongs, this exotic bane had been as a spark to the tow, and to ignore these potent influences would not assist in solving our difficulties any more than the lawless methods of politically irresponsible students would further their national aims.

Accepting the Archdeacon's statement, says the *China Express*, it cannot be disputed that some missionaries have merited strong rebuke. Their futile efforts at the outset, without investigation of the facts, to fix the blame of the Shanghai shooting on the police only helped to fan the flame of anti-foreign hatred and make the task of the authorities all the more difficult.

FOREIGNERS IN CHINA.

NEEDED PROPAGANDA BY THE CHINA ASSOCIATION.

The China Association has performed a real public service in issuing on June 30th a lengthy and much-needed statement regarding the manner in which foreigners live and carry on trade in China.

So much ignorance prevails in Great Britain on the subject, says the *China Express and Telegraph*, even among those in Parliament, on the platform and through the Press, who have lately set out to enlighten the people, that an authoritative statement, prepared by men who have been in actual contact with conditions in China, was imperative to correct the many misleading statements that have been made and provide those interested with accurate information.

For the benefit of those who have glibly urged the foreigner to "get out of China," it is pointed out that during the last eighty years a trade has been built up which provides employment for many thousands of British workers. The loss of this trade would materially increase unemployment in the United Kingdom, and its development is perhaps one of the surest remedies for unemployment which can be devised.

Members of Parliament and all the leading London, provincial, and Scottish newspapers have already been supplied with copies of this memorandum and further copies may be obtained on application to the Secretary, the China Association, 99, Cannon Street, E.C.4.

The hands of the China Association ought to be considerably strengthened by the resolutions passed by the public meeting in Hongkong, and it is hoped that the work now started will be carried on with still greater vigour in the future.

THE POSITION OF NEW EMPLOYEES. WILL THE SEAMEN'S UNION TRY TO PROMOTE FURTHER TROUBLE?

STATEMENT BY HARBOUR MASTER.

When the members of the Seamen's Union return from Canton, it is anticipated, in some quarters, that they will again attempt to tie up work on the launches plying in the harbour, unless they are reinstated on the wages they were drawing before the strike.

Colour is given to this belief by the following statement made to the *Daily Press*, yesterday morning, by an official of one of the local companies, whose launches are now manned by crews recruited through the Police Department. This official said:—

"Having noticed that the new crews on my company's launches were not working as if their heart was in the job, I called them all together and, through a thoroughly competent interpreter, explained to them that my company had offered them steady jobs on terms which entailed bonuses and pensions, provided they gave satisfaction.

After conversing in an undertone among themselves, their spokesman replied that, while they fully understood the terms offered them, they did not promise to remain permanently with the company. On the return of the members of the Seamen's Union, the former employees of the company would expect their jobs back and if the present men refused to leave the launches they would be eventually compelled to do so by the members of the Seamen's Union, who would stop at nothing to ensure the Union members being reinstated.

HARBOUR MASTER'S STATEMENT.

Since the anticipated action of the Seamen's Union would entail another strike unless one side gave way, and in the full belief that the company has no intention to take back any employee except on the lowest rate of pay in the grade to which he belongs, a *Daily Press* representative called upon Lieut. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., the Harbour Master, and, after explaining the position to him, asked for a statement on what action the department would take in the event of the Seamen's Union translating their threats into action.

Lieut. Comdr. Hole's statement follows:—

The whole thing is political and not a strike in the true sense of the word nor a contest between Labour and Capital over any grievance.

"Being political, the main idea, from the Canton point of view, was a boycott backed up by a strike. That being so, trade simply disappeared with a slump. That did away with the effect of the strike, as there was very little cargo moving at the time. In consequence, the Colony felt the effect of the strike less than it would have done in ordinary times.

"With regard to the alleged threat of the Seamen's Union, it must be borne in mind that His Excellency the Governor has publicly announced his intention to see the thing through; and the temper of all the officials and of the members of the general public is absolutely in support of the Governor, and all are prepared to see the matter through.

SERVANTS' WAGES.

K.R.A. RESCIND THEIR FORMER RESOLUTION.

At a meeting of the Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association held on Tuesday evening a resolution was passed that no wages for June should be paid to servants who went on strike. This rescinds the former resolution and brings the policy of the K.R.A. into line with that adopted by the Peak Residents and Mid-Level Residents' Associations. The resolution was worded as follows:—

"That in view of the unexpected prolongation of the 'Strike' and because of the apparent necessity of instilling into the minds of the Chinese workers of this Colony the fact that it must inevitably be to their detriment to go out on strike, this meeting of the Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association hereby rescinds the resolution passed at its meeting held on July 3rd in which a general recommendation was made to members for the payment of wages earned during June according to the number of days worked.

THE LOCAL STRIKE. INTIMIDATION IN A NOVEL FORM.

As each day passes the local strike position shows more improvement. It was reported yesterday that more workers had returned to Kowloon Docks, the Cement Works, and Messrs. W. S. Bailey's, while other firms report that further men are slowly coming back. It is understood that re-engagement on reduced scales were offered, and in most cases, readily accepted.

INTIMIDATION.

What appears to be something in the nature of a new form of intimidation has come to light. Outside the Naval Yard and at the Eastern district depot of the Sanitary Department notices in Chinese have been discovered posted up to the effect that "if the workmen wish to be allowed to continue their work, they had better pay \$100 each for peace." Nothing on the notices gives an indication as to their origin, but it is obvious that they have been posted in an attempt to try to stop workers from resuming work. The notices have failed in their object, however, for the workmen at both the above establishments have continued at their occupations as usual, paying no attention to the notices.

CASUAL LABOUR PLENTIFUL.

The fact that strikers are being prevented from returning from Canton is almost solely responsible for the continuance of absenteeism. The casual day labour supply is in excess of the demand. From today the Tramway Company will run a service right through to Kennedy Town. Previously Whitty Street has been the terminus. Happy Valley cars will no longer stop at the Post Office, but will go to their old terminus at Whitty Street. The service between Causeway Bay and Quarry Bay will be extended right through to Shaukiwan from Saturday next.

HOUSEBOYS CHARGED.

The two houseboys in the employ of Mr. A. P. Glover, No. 4, Broadwood Road, and Mr. A. Kirk, P.W.D., respectively, who were charged with having intimidated a motor-bus inspector at Shamshui on July 17th, appeared on remand before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday.

At a previous hearing it was stated that the two men had told the complainant that if he did not cease work he would be killed. The first defendant had stated that complainant owed him some money and he had asked for it.

His Worship said that complainant had not stated in evidence at the previous hearing that the men had threatened him if he did not cease work. Inspector Hutchins said that complainant had said so but the interpreter had not translated it.

His Worship said he found the first defendant guilty of trying to extract money by threats and sentenced him to six months' hard labour. The second defendant denied that he had a previous conviction for stealing a bicycle and was remanded until this morning.

RETURNED STRIKERS.

The firmness shown by the authorities in dealing with returning strikers, with regard to the payment of reduced rates of wages to them, has resulted in many of the returned strikers feeling rather sore about it. Especially so has this been the case in such places of employment as the Kowloon Dock and the Naval Yard. Strikers' meetings have taken place with the object of retaliation of some sort, but there has been no enthusiasm or unity among those holding the meetings.

SANITARY COOLIES.

A rumour gained currency in the Colony last night that a number of returned Sanitary coolies had rejoined the ranks of the strikers, together with some new hands. The reason for this action, it was suggested, was that the men were dissatisfied with the rates of pay.

When a *Daily Press* representative made enquiries on this subject late last night from Mr. N. L. Smith, President of the Sanitary Board, he was informed that, so far as Mr. Smith was aware, there was no foundation for the rumour.

SHIPPING.

For the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, there were eleven arrivals and six departures. Of the arrivals five were British, the *Kuowaiy Hall*, *Merton Hall*, *Patricius*, *Nanchang*, and *Chekiang*. The *Kuowaiy Hall* landed 150 tons of general cargo, the *Merton Hall*, 300 tons and the *Patricius*, 223 bags of mails from Woonung. The s.s. *Nanchang* from Swatow was manned by naval ratings from H.M.S. *Bluebell*. The *Chekiang* from Swatow had a crew of six Europeans and 22 Chinese. The Dutch steamer, *Yikarung* landed 70 tons of general cargo, 4,200 tons of sugar and a large quantity of paraffin as well as 23 bags of mails from Shanghai. The s.s. *Yin Hoang*, a Chinese vessel, arrived from Canton and 100 tons of general cargo. She was manned by one European and 74 Chinese.

The Chinese naval storeship, *Kang-ping* has again passed through, on her way to Pratas Shoal carrying a further 350 tons of building material for the wireless station that the Chinese Maritime Customs are erecting there.

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CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. REPRESENTATIONS TO BE MADE TO THE GOVERNMENT.

A meeting of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday, when Mr. Li Yau Tsuen presided. The meeting had been primarily called for discussion on the present financial crisis.

The Chairman said that representations had been made to the Chamber by a number of merchants concerning the financial crisis in the Colony. It had been pointed out that considerable difficulty had been experienced in getting loans from the banks. As far as he knew most of the money in the Colony was tied up in shares and that was the reason for the present crisis. He suggested that the Chamber should appoint representatives conversed in banking business to consult with representatives of the banks concerning what might be done. He also suggested that there should be a joint meeting of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce and their own Chamber.

Mr. Chan Pik Chuen considered that a joint meeting with the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce and a conference with representatives of the banks would avail nothing. He thought that the Chamber should discuss what was to be done with the large stocks of rice lying in the godowns to the value of 8 million dollars. The Government had prohibited the export of rice and if the stocks became bad, and this was not improbable, then the merchants would lose tremendously. It was the practice amongst Chinese merchants in the transaction of their business to contract by verbal agreement only and if the rice went bad, the exporter would lose. The rice dealers were therefore in a difficult position. Shareholders had claim on the brokers because contracts were written but it was not so with the Chinese merchant when he claimed his money. It would be remembered that a few years ago during the rice famine the Government bought rice and sold it cheaply. He understood that the Government had lost a few million dollars at that time. If such a loss was experienced by the merchants it would be disastrous and he considered that it was of vital importance that the Government should raise the embargo.

Mr. Ho Lu asked Mr. Chan to make a full statement concerning the present stock of rice in the Colony. Mr. Chan replied that he had already handed in the statement to the Chinese representatives of the Council for submission to the Government.

It was decided that a request be made by the Chamber to the Chinese representatives to approach the Government and appeal that the exportation of rice and other commodities be allowed. Two members of the Chamber were chosen to meet the Chinese representatives of the Council.

The Chairman proposed that a resolution be handed to the Government to the effect that the Chinese merchants were decidedly against the strike and that a small proportion only of the Chinese workers were in favour of it, the majority having been terrorised into leaving their employment.

Mr. Ho Lu seconded and the resolution was carried unanimously.

Of the departures two only were British, the *Taiwan* for Amoy and *Lai Sang* for Singapore. The *Kwong Lee*, a Chinese cargo boat, departed for Canton. There were 97 vessels in the harbour yesterday and of these 38 were British.

GENERAL NOTES.

A number of Chinese continue to come into the Colony from Western River ports and Macao, the incoming steamers being met on arrival by the police, who are keeping a sharp look out for undesirable characters. Several incoming Chinese have been taken into custody for enquiries to be made regarding their presence in the Colony.

Further progress in the programme of the partial demobilisation of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps took place last evening at Headquarters, when in addition to those already announced, a certain number of men from the Armoured Car Section and all the Engineer Company, with the exception of the wireless section who are being retained for special purposes, were demobilised.

The barriers that were erected at the entrance to the Star Ferry wharves on the Hongkong and Kowloon sides at the commencement of the strike, have now been removed, as have the special constables on duty there. The restrictions on Chinese passengers have also been discontinued.

News that reached Hongkong yesterday was to the effect that special efforts are now being made by the Chinese across the border of the New Territories to prevent strikers who desire to return to Hongkong from doing so. To assist this scheme, the troops on the Chinese territory have erected a barrier on the other side of Sham Chun bridge.

A Chinese, who was alleged to have seditious pamphlets in his possession, was arrested at Wanchai on Tuesday, and will be dealt with in due course.

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TRAINING REVOLUTIONARIES.

If the information we are receiving from the North, through the Asiatic News Service, is reliable there certainly "does not appear to be any inclination among the Bolsheviks to allow the present unrest to simmer down. One message from Peking, dated July 20th, states that the Council of Trades Unions have just commenced a course of political education for youthful workers. The Students Committee have sent delegates to deliver lectures and organise meetings at Shanghai and other cities. Simultaneously summer courses of political education for the students and "preparation for mass workers" are being organised, including lectures on the revolutionary movement in Russia.

Two days earlier we were informed from the same source that a joint committee of "workers, merchants and students in Shanghai" with the object of increasing opposition to Imperialism and securing the economic isolation of England and Japan, had resolved upon mass street meetings. The speakers, it is said, include "members of different groups represented on the joint committee and the announcement is made that seventy groups of speakers are now ready to commence the campaign.

Naturally these meetings will not be permitted in the International Settlement and when "Shanghai" is quoted it obviously means the native city, but this form of propaganda carried on among

the Chinese, wherever they may be, is bound to react upon the European communities and is calculated to do an infinite amount of harm. We can imagine the glowing terms, for example in which "the revolutionary movement in Russia" will be described by the street corner orator.

Whilst these agitators confine their activities to purely Chinese territory, the Chinese officials, of course, are the only people who can deal adequately with them. Few of these officials, however, are bold enough to take active steps in the matter on their own initiative and, therefore, sooner or later the Powers will have to awaken them to a sense of their responsibility. Whether this can be done without actual intervention is doubtful. Only one thing is certain. There will never be any peaceful period for trade in this process of training revolutionaries, instigated, as it undoubtedly is, by the Bolsheviks, is allowed to proceed unchecked throughout the length and breadth of the country.

But although we may believe that intervention by the Powers is the only method of settling the present extremely grave situation, that is no reason why we should sit still and wait until intervention materialises. Agitators and idlers found in the Colony are being arrested and deported. That is one good step. The other is to organise counter-propaganda. As was suggested at the meeting at the Theatre Royal we should have Chinese speakers active on our side. We must stimulate our workers in such a way that when agitators do return to the attack they will not find the people such easy dupes. It may be a long and arduous task and it certainly needs good organisation, but it would be well worth while. The Bolsheviks find that it pays them handsomely to subsidise agents to spread false information. It would pay this Government handsomely in the long run to employ lecturers to tell the people the truth.

THE NEW BRITISH CRUISERS.

APPARENTLY the Home Government, after considerable delay, has at last made up its mind that the British Navy requires several new cruisers. This decision has only been reached after a certain amount of dissension within the Cabinet, the "anti-cruisers" party being led strangely enough by Mr. Winston Churchill, the present-day financial wizard, who even possesses the moral courage to tax silk stockings. The Cabinet's decision shows clearly the effects of the Chancellor's eloquent pleading in favour of still more drastic retrenchment, and is obviously a compromise.

Two cruisers only are to be begun this year, and two more in February. Thenceforward, three more are to be laid down annually, in addition to certain destroyers, submarines and miscellaneous vessels. In the course of answering sundry questions by Labour members, the Prime Minister observed that this programme was one of replacement merely, to be made possible by still more rigid control of expenditure by the Admiralty on other matters—thus admitting that the more ambitious programme, which some members of the Government are believed to have cherished, had been finally abandoned.

This scheme of replacement is something, but candidly, it is not very much. At the Washington Conference, Great Britain (together with other powers) refused to admit the possibility of a definite building ratio for cruisers of less than ten thousand tons, her reason being that the peculiar situation of the British Empire made such cruisers an absolute necessity, and it would consequently be impossible for her to tabulate her requirements beforehand. It is impossible to controvert the essential truth of this statement. For the British Government to build battleships at the present time might conceivably give certain distorted minds an excuse for the cry that another armaments race had

started; but cruisers are obviously intended to be used for policing the enormous coast line of the Empire, and for showing the flag in small and distant stations. Nevertheless, it is an unfortunate fact that since the Washington Conference, practically nothing has been done to replace cruisers which are rapidly wearing out. No-one has dared to face the united cries for economy.

In the circumstances, we must be grateful for small mercies, for at the present time it is idle to hope for more than two cruisers this year, two next, and three a year subsequently. Yet Europeans along the China coast may well be somewhat regretful that no further construction has been considered possible. It may seem somewhat paradoxical, but it is nevertheless true that a British cruiser, or even a small gunboat, anchored off a Chinese port, has frequently brought peace and security, where formerly there was neither for the Europeans or the Chinese of the port. The events of the last two months alone prove it. It has never once been necessary for the guns of a British warship to be fired during the present trouble, and yet the Navy has played a great part in restoring some semblance of order in a vast and troubled area. In the process, however, grave risks have had to be run for, of course, it has been frankly impossible for the Navy, even with the co-operation of warships of other powers, to be present as a silent warning at every threatened point.

Many critics of our naval policy have held for a long time that the strength of our naval forces in the Far East was inadequate for all the calls made upon them, and this notwithstanding various possible arrangements with other friendly powers and with the Dominions for the adequate protection of this wide region. The Government has decided to proceed with the Singapore base and there have no doubt been many cogent reasons prompting them to do so, but a great naval base of itself is useless to protect British subjects in danger thousands of miles away; and it must be confessed that we fail to see the purpose of the base at all, unless the Government has some further project for augmenting the strength of the China Squadron. Perhaps in due course it will formulate some such scheme of reinforcement, for its necessity cannot now be denied.

The Exchange Banks will be closed on Monday, August 3rd (Bank Holiday).

The Hongkong Tramways, Ltd., are paying an interim dividend of fifty cents per share.

There was a full return of notifiable diseases in the Colony for the 24 hours ended on July 29th.

The Hon. Mrs. Bell is now at Southview Hall, Barwash, which in future will be her permanent address.

Mrs. Bell Irving was one of the guests at a lunch given by Lady Newburgh on June 26th at the Ladies' Imperial Club, London.

Lady Gertrude Stewart was among those who took a party to the Ladies' Carlton Club ball on June 30th, when Mrs. Baldwin received.

Mrs. Owen Hughes and her small son and Miss Peggy Ellis were among the passengers leaving by the *Patroclus* for England yesterday.

Second-Lieut. D. H. V. Buckle, of the East Surrey Regiment, has been transferred to the Royal Army Service Corps as Second-Lieutenant on probation.

Yesterday the Observatory reported that a typhoon was still indicated to the East of Bellingham Channel; its position and direction of motion being still uncertain.

The marriage took place at Ropley Parish Church, on June 24th, of Gordon Lindsay, to Maiga, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Beck, of Four Marks, Hants (late of Hongkong).

Golfers are asked to give twenty-four hours notice if they require to be served with meals at Deep Water Bay. Meals will be obtainable from August 1st. At Hanling, too, will be available on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays and on Bank Holiday, but meals will not be served.

CABLES.

EARLIER CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HOME LABOUR CRISIS.

REPORT OF COURT OF ENQUIRY
ON COAL DISPUTE.

LONDON, July 29th.

The Court of Enquiry into the coal-mining dispute, mentioned on July 29th, reported that the workers were justified in claiming the incorporation of a minimum wage provision in any wages agreement and concurred in the view that wages at an agreed minimum rate be a charge before profits.

The Court is of opinion that there is considerable room for improving the coal industry's efficiency as a whole and thereby afford aid to its economic position. An improvement in the distribution of coal might lower the price and stimulate demand.

The Commission says the present crisis has been to a large extent created by neither of the parties to the dispute, but is an inevitable sequel to the economic upheaval due to the war. The Commission slides over the question of the royalty system. The decline in demand is attributed to the falling off of foreign sales, oil-burning ships, the growth of hydro-electric power and the great increase in coal production in countries formerly our best customers. Foreign competition is also noted.

Sir Josiah Stamp, one of the commissioners, in an addendum, partially attributes the worsening of the position during the past few months to the effects of the introduction of the gold standard and attendant deflation. He says the witnesses conveyed the impression that a resumption of the gold standard means a shilling a ton difference in price.

GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY MOOTED.

LONDON, July 29th.

It is learned that the Cabinet today considered the question of a temporary subsidy for the coal-mining industry, also several other possible solutions of the dispute, but did not reach a final decision.

It is understood that at the Premier's request the coal-owners are likely to withdraw their notices conditionally.

MINERS' "INTERNATIONALE" MEET.

PARIS, July 29th.

Britain, France, Germany, Belgium, Holland and Czechoslovakia were represented at a private meeting of the Executive Committee of the Miners' Internationale, presided over by Mr. Herbert Smith, which examined the international position in relation to the coal crisis. A resolution was passed calling on the Trade Unions to strive to achieve nationalisation of the coal mines and international control of production. The meeting promised international action in the event of a mines stoppage in Britain on August 1st. If a stoppage does not eventuate in the immediate future, the Committee decided that production be limited in other countries so that Britain should not suffer.

LATEST CABLES.

DOWNING STREET BUSY.

LONDON, July 29th.

There was much activity in Downing Street early today, which marks a crucial stage in the coal dispute. Mr. Baldwin, who conferred with the coal-owners for two hours yesterday, after a prolonged Cabinet meeting, met the miners' representatives this morning. He later conferred with the coal-owners, preparatory to a joint meeting of the two sides at the Ministry of Labour.

It is understood that Mr. Baldwin submitted to the miners this morning certain conditions on which the owners are prepared to consent to their appeal to postpone the notice terminating the agreement.

EARLIER CABLES.
FIGHTING IN MOROCCO.
RIFTS PREPARE OFFENSIVE.

PARIS, July 29th.

The Riffs are reported to be preparing a great effort before the arrival of French reinforcements, news of which is causing them anxiety.

Telegrams from Fez state that the Riffs, after a period of reorganisation, are now resuming the offensive, reappearing at various sectors on the front, apparently to march to Fez. The enemy's objective at Wezzan is threatened. The enemy is consolidating his positions east of Fez and north of Wergah, but no fighting is yet reported. The besieged garrison at the Bouajissa post has been supplied with water by aeroplanes.

LATEST CABLES.
OVERTURES FOR SUBMISSION.

PARIS, July 29th.

A message from Fez states that after a period of relative calm great activity is again in evidence on the front, the Riffs apparently being determined to make a last effort before the arrival of further French reinforcements, and the putting into operation of the Franco-Spanish agreement.

Wezzan seems to be the objective, and considerable pressure is being exercised in the Western sector.

For the first time yesterday French aeroplanes flew over the Spanish zone, while Spanish aeroplanes dropped bombs on Riff groups going to the French front. The Riffs find their movements hampered by the attitude of dissidents, who show obvious signs of weariness. Operations carried out by some French flying columns among the tribes at Tzoulis and Braous have brought demands for negotiations with a view to submission.

Abd el Krim, in order to ward off the danger, has hastened to capture host-ages.

Marshal Petain held an important conference at Tetuan with General Primo de Rivera, and was warmly welcomed by the Spaniards and the natives. He afterwards departed for Marseilles-Oran.

COMMUNIST MURDER.

POLISH OFFICIAL SHOT.

WARSAW, July 29th.

A Communist murdered the political police agent Czernowski in front of the Supreme Court building at Lvoff during an interval in the trial of Communists charged with the attempted murder of President Weyciechowski some months ago, in which trial Czernowski was an important witness for the prosecution.

The murderer, Isaac Botworski, was arrested after narrowly escaping lynching. A Communist document was found on him ordering him to murder Czernowski and other political police.

Many Communists have been arrested in connection with this incident.

RUBBER PRICES.

U.S. PROTEST DENIED.

LONDON, July 29th.

Reuter is informed that it is quite untrue that the United States protested to Great Britain with regard to the price of rubber.

The American Ambassador recently called at the Foreign Office and was most careful to refrain from making any official representation, but merely pointed out the effect of the price of rubber on the United States.

His remarks were most sympathetically received, but there is no connection between this and the recent release of rubber.

EARLIER CABLES.

MANGANESE PEROXIDE.

MINISTER'S COMFORTING REPLY.

LONDON, July 29th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Robert Morrison, Sir Philip Cunliffe Listel said there was no reason to think the recent agreement between the Harman combine and the Soviet Government would interfere with the supplies of manganese peroxide to British glass-makers. He pointed out that satisfactory supplies of manganese peroxide were obtainable from other sources, for example, India; also that other substances were available for use as glass decolourisers.

COUNTY CRICKET.
KENT DRAWS WITH SURREY AT
THE OVAL.

LONDON, July 29th.

Playing at Lords, Yorkshire gained a first innings' victory over Middlesex. Yorkshire batted first and made 528 runs for six wickets (declared). The principal scorers were Leyland 110, Holmes 50, and Sutcliffe 233. Middlesex replied with 184, and then followed on, making 149 for four wickets before time was called. Stevens was top scorer with 68 not out.

Playing at Bournemouth, Hampshire gained a first innings' victory over Worcester. The visitors batted first and scored 277. Hampton making 55. Hampshire replied with 447, the top scorers being Mead 212, not out, and Brutton 88. Root took eight wickets for 183 runs. Worcester went in a second time and had made 197 for the loss of nine wickets when time was called. M. Foster made 95.

Playing at Bath, Sussex gained a first innings' victory over Somerset. Sussex batted first and made 248. Cook contributing 55, and Cox 64. Bridges took five wickets for 89 runs. Somerset replied with 158. Macbryan making 80 and Tate taking seven wickets for 75 runs. Sussex had made 107 runs for eight wickets in their second innings when they declared. White took six wickets for 43 runs. When Somerset had made 67 runs for the loss of three wickets, time was called.

Playing at Gloucester, Gloucestershire defeated Essex by an innings and 109 runs. Essex batted first and made 115. Parker taking nine wickets for 44 runs. Gloucester replied with 287 runs for six wickets (declared). Dipper making 107. In their second innings, Essex could only make 68. Parker again being phenomenally successful with the ball, taking eight wickets for 12 runs.

The match between Surrey and Kent, at the Oval, was drawn. Kent made 267 for seven wickets (declared); the principal contributors being Harding 97, Woolley 74 and Hubble 50. Surrey replied with 200 for three wickets. Sandham making 102 unfinished. Hobbs, whose next century will bring him equal with Dr. Grace's record of 136 centuries in first-class cricket, was eagerly awaited by a large crowd, but he only made 22.

The match between Warwickshire and Lancashire, at Birmingham, was also drawn. Warwick batted first and made 414 for six wickets (declared). Calthorpe making 175 and Quaife 74. Lancashire made 124 for two wickets, when stumps had to be drawn.

The match between Nottingham and Derbyshire, at Ilkerton, was abandoned. Nottingham made 286 for five wickets (declared). Whysall scoring 140, George Gunn 84 and Walker 81, not out. Derby had made 45 for the loss of two wickets when rain stopped play.

DANGEROUS COCO.

LONDON, July 29th.

The House of Lords has agreed to the second reading of the Dangerous Drugs Bill, the main object of which is to ratify the decision of the International Opium Conference at Geneva that coco leaves and Indian hemp be added to dangerous drugs, the importation of which is prohibited by the Act of 1920.

LATEST CABLES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

COOLIDGE'S GREAT THOUGHT.

SWAMPSCOTT, July 29th.

Acknowledging the greeting of the Governor-General of Australia, President Coolidge said that the people of the United States and Australia were one in the purpose of maintaining the peace of the world, and added: "In questions touching the great Pacific, I am sure that our aims will always be similar, and with the assistance of other nations in the Pacific, a beneficent peace may be firmly established."

EARLIER CABLES.

LORD DUNSFORD MARRIED.

BRIDE A WEALTHY AMERICAN WIDOW.

NEW YORK, July 29th.

Mrs. Guinevere Gould, widow of the late G. J. Gould, and heiress to part of the Gould fortune, was married today at Montreal to Viscount Dunsford, son of Earl Middleton.

SAN DIEGO AS AIR PORT.

SAN DIEGO, July 29th.

The Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Wilbur, has announced a plan for making San Diego a home air port for the rigid dirigibles *Los Angeles* and *Schenadoah*, transferring the whole of the "lighter than air" activities of the Navy to an operating base which will be constructed here.

FAR EASTERN CABLE
NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

UNREST IN THE NORTH.

MORE QUESTIONS IN COMMONS.

LONDON, July 29th.

In the House of Commons, replying to questions with regard to the judicial enquiry concerning the disturbances in Shanghai, Mr. Ronald McNeill pointed out that communications must pass between a number of nations, and nothing could be done until agreement had been reached.

SHANGHAI SHOOTING ENQUIRY.

LONDON, July 29th.

The *Manchester Guardian* understands that the composition of the body which will conduct a judicial enquiry into the Shanghai shooting will, it is hoped, be announced in a few days.

It is understood that it will consist of an International Board of Judges appointed by Japan, the United States, Great Britain, France, and Italy.

None of the nominees will be connected with Shanghai. America will probably appoint a Judge from the Manila court, France one from Saigon, and England one from Hongkong.

DOSSER TRIAL ECHO.

GREGORENKO IN COURT AGAIN.

SHANGHAI, July 29th.

Gregorenko, a Roumanian, appeared in the Mixed Court this morning, on a charge of aiding and abetting Fortunatoff, the Soviet Consulate doctor, in attempted bribery.

Counsel for the defence, Mr. Fischer, said that he had definite evidence that Fortunatoff was hiding at the Soviet Embassy in Peking, and he had reason to believe that Fortunatoff would return to Shanghai soon to face the charge against him. He therefore moved an adjournment of the present defendant's case, which was intimately connected with the charges against Fortunatoff.

The application was denied on the opposition of the prosecution.

After a police inspector had given evidence, the case was adjourned until Saturday.

RANCH ATTACK SEQUEL.

BANDITS DEMAND RANSOM.

PEKING, July 29th.

A letter has been received from the bandits who captured Mr. Howard, demanding a ransom in money and bullets, but not specifying any amount.

[The events leading up to the above were detailed in an earlier cable, published in the *Daily Press* on July 24th, which read:—

PEKING, July 23rd.

Bandits on July 20th attacked a ranch in Northern Manchuria which an American, Major Morgan Palmer, is developing for refugees from the famine districts.

The Americans put up a fight in which Major Palmer was killed and an eye-specialist, Mr. Howard, was captured.

Other foreigners from the ranch reached safety. The American Consul at Harbin has gone to interview the Governor to urge Mr. Howard's release.]

VACCINE IN BABY'S MILK.

The prevention of infantile tuberculosis, which is responsible for so large a percentage of the death rate, was claimed recently for a new form of vaccination discovered by the Pasteur Institute of Paris.

Dr. Albert Calmette, who read a paper to the Academy of Medicine, stated that the vaccine known as BCG was a living culture taken from cows and was administered in small doses in the baby's milk before it was 10 days old.

Of 168 babies taken from the homes of the poorer classes and vaccinated in the spring of 1922, not one has contracted the disease. During the past year more than 2,000 new-born infants were vaccinated without any ill effects. The normal percentage of deaths from tuberculosis was 32.6 in the first year.

At the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday, a milk vendor was fined \$25 for having sold milk in which there was 2 per cent. of water.

WELLS IN SHANSI.
TUPAN INTRODUCING A MODERN
SYSTEM.

Taiyuanfu reports state that for the purpose of preventing the destruction of the farmers' crops by droughts, General Yen Hsi Shan, Tupan of Shansi, is introducing a system of modern well-sinking in that province, according to the *Asiatic News Service*.

The movement to encourage well-sinking has been systematically carried out in Shansi since last year, when a Well-Sinking Bureau was organised and the use of modern machinery recommended for well-sinking. Most of the wells in Shansi, which were dug by the old crude methods, are shallow and yield a limited water supply. To do away with such drawbacks, modern machinery has been imported from Tientsin by Shansi officials to be lent to the farmers.

The cost of digging a well by modern machinery, though it may prove to be deep enough to yield an almost inexhaustible supply of water, is yet beyond the financial limits of ordinary farmers. The cost is over \$1,000. For this reason Shansi authorities now only urge the farmers to make improvements on existing wells by deepening them with modern machinery. The farmers are being equipped with pumps and suction pipes to facilitate water-drawing. Shansi farmers will naturally prefer modern machinery and other labour saving devices, when the economic advantages of such innovations are made plain to them.

A representative of a British firm in Shanghai recently approached the Shansi authorities with a proposal to undertake all the well-sinking work in the whole province with modern machinery. The proposal was rejected by the Shansi officials on the ground that the cost was too high and that the provincial government had already organised a Well-Sinking Bureau to undertake the work on behalf of the people. Since the employment of modern machinery for well-sinking is still beyond the financial limits of the majority of Shansi farmers, the officials are encouraging them to dig wells by the time-honoured method. In this connection some innovations have been introduced by the use of a simple labour-saving device worked by a treadle. In well-digging much expert knowledge is required to prospect the underground water supply before the selection of the location for the projected well. A well sunk at a proper location requires less labour and yields much more water supply than one less favourably situated. Yang Shao Chi, the Chihli expert, under the direction of the Well-Sinking Bureau, is now offering his advice to the farmers in selecting well-locations.

SUGGESTIO FALSI.

QUESTIONS ON CHINA IN THE
HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Our readers will remember the cable reports of the questions regarding British support for rival factions in China put to Mr. Austen Chamberlain by Mr. Johnstone, member for Dundee.

Mr. Chamberlain stated emphatically that no support was being, or would be given by Great Britain, either directly or indirectly, to any such rival factions. Then Mr. Johnstone pressed his point more directly by asking whether the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation or the China Consortium, of which it is a member, had not financed Chang Tso Lin, and Mr. Chamberlain replied that he must be given notice of the question.

Commenting upon the incident, *The China Express and Telegraph* says: "This was a pity, because notice was not given, and the question has not been pressed. Thus there remains the suspicion that either the Hongkong Bank or the Consortium has in fact furnished Chang with money; so much so that Reuter's agents in Hongkong, when the news of the question and its treatment reached him, called upon Mr. Barlow, Chief Manager of the Bank, and asked if there was any truth behind the insinuation. Mr. Barlow gave him an indignant and emphatic denial; he stated that the bank had always maintained an attitude of strict neutrality towards the rival claimants to power in China. The observations of H.M. Foreign Secretary, however, travel far and impress not only the member for Dundee, but the House generally and the public at large. On the other hand, the remarks of the Chief Manager of the Hongkong Bank have the ear only of those concerned with Chinese affairs, who, even at a time like the present, when hatred of the foreigner, with attendant strikes and boycotts, has had one of its occasional explosions, do not amount to as much as one per cent. of the population of this country."

There is a considerable amount of truth in this summing-up of the position and there is no doubt that a question in the House of Commons, by conveying a false impression, can do a great deal of harm. In this particular instance, however, we believe a statement was subsequently made in the House similar to that made by Mr. Barlow to Reuter's correspondent.

LOCAL SPORT.

HONGKONG BASEBALL LEAGUE.
FILIPINOS BEAT HONGKONG
BASEBALL CLUB.

A League match took place at the Happy Valley diamond yesterday evening when the Hongkong Baseball Club met the Filipino side. A keen game was seen, resulting in a win for the Filipinos by 9 runs to 3. The sides lined out as follows:—

HONGKONG.	1	2	3	4	5	Total.
C. Shank	1	0	0	0	0	1
Church	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hawkins	1	0	0	0	0	1
Dome	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harlow	1	0	0	0	0	1
Proulx	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hogan	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zumwalt	0	0	0	0	0	0
E. Shank	0	0	0	0	0	0

The result of the match, which was of 3 innings, was as under:—

Filipinos	1	2	3	4	5	Total.
Filipinos	1	0	2	1	0	4
Hongkong	2	0	0	1	0	3

At a meeting of the various members of the Hongkong Baseball League on Tuesday evening, the University Baseball Club advised the League that it is impossible for them to get a team together to complete their schedule.

A revised schedule was drawn up to complete the remainder of the scheduled games.

On the resignation of Mr. Latie as President of the League owing to his departure from the Colony, Mr. A. E. Dome, Captain of the Hongkong Baseball Club, was unanimously elected President.

EURASIAN CHARGED.

STOLEN GRAMAPHONE RECORDS.

A Eurasian named George Clyson was charged at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning, before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, with the theft of seven gramophone records from Messrs. Pathe Freres, No. 12, Queen's Road Central.

The police evidence was to the effect that the occurrence took place on Tuesday afternoon. The defendant was charged and arrested by the manager of the shop on attempting to escape with the records under his arm.

The manager of Messrs. Pathe Freres, M. Girardot, said the amount concerned was very small, and in view of the lesson learned by defendant, he would ask his Worship to pardon the offence.

Defendant pleaded guilty and His Worship remanded him until this morning.

Sir Robert Ho Tung left London for the Continent on July 1st and expected to be absent from England for about four weeks. Before his departure Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung were entertained at tea by Mr. Lloyd George on the Terrace of the House of Commons.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, Sir Charles Addie, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax and Mr. David Landale were among those present at the dinner given by Mr. Chao-Hsin Chu at the Chinese Legation in London in honour of Dr. C. C. Wang, Mr. Chao-Hsi Whang and the other Chinese delegates to the International Railway Congress.

At the inquest on June 24th on Lieut. Richard Huthwaite Lucy, of H.M.S. *Flinders*, a verdict of suicide during temporary insanity was returned. Deceased had served in China for several years, and the Coroner said that it was possible Lieut. Lucy might have suffered to some extent by the climate and surroundings there.

According to reliable information (says the *Shanghai Times*) there are no fewer than 200 Chinese detained at the headquarters of the General Labour Union in Shanghai, detained either after being kidnapped from the Settlement for remaining loyal to their foreign employers, or for showing a willingness to end the present strike. This is how the wavering Chinese are being forced into continuing the strike.

On June 25th, at the gathering of the International Railway Congress, three magnificent Chinese banners were hung in the main hall of the Institution of Civil Engineers. These had been presented to the congress by His Excellency Yeh Kung Cho and Dr. Chin Chun Wang, and the inscriptions on them translated, read: "These flying wheels which take us all forward." "All of us on the same wondrous gauged track with the same heart throbbings." and "Keep all nations on the same good way."

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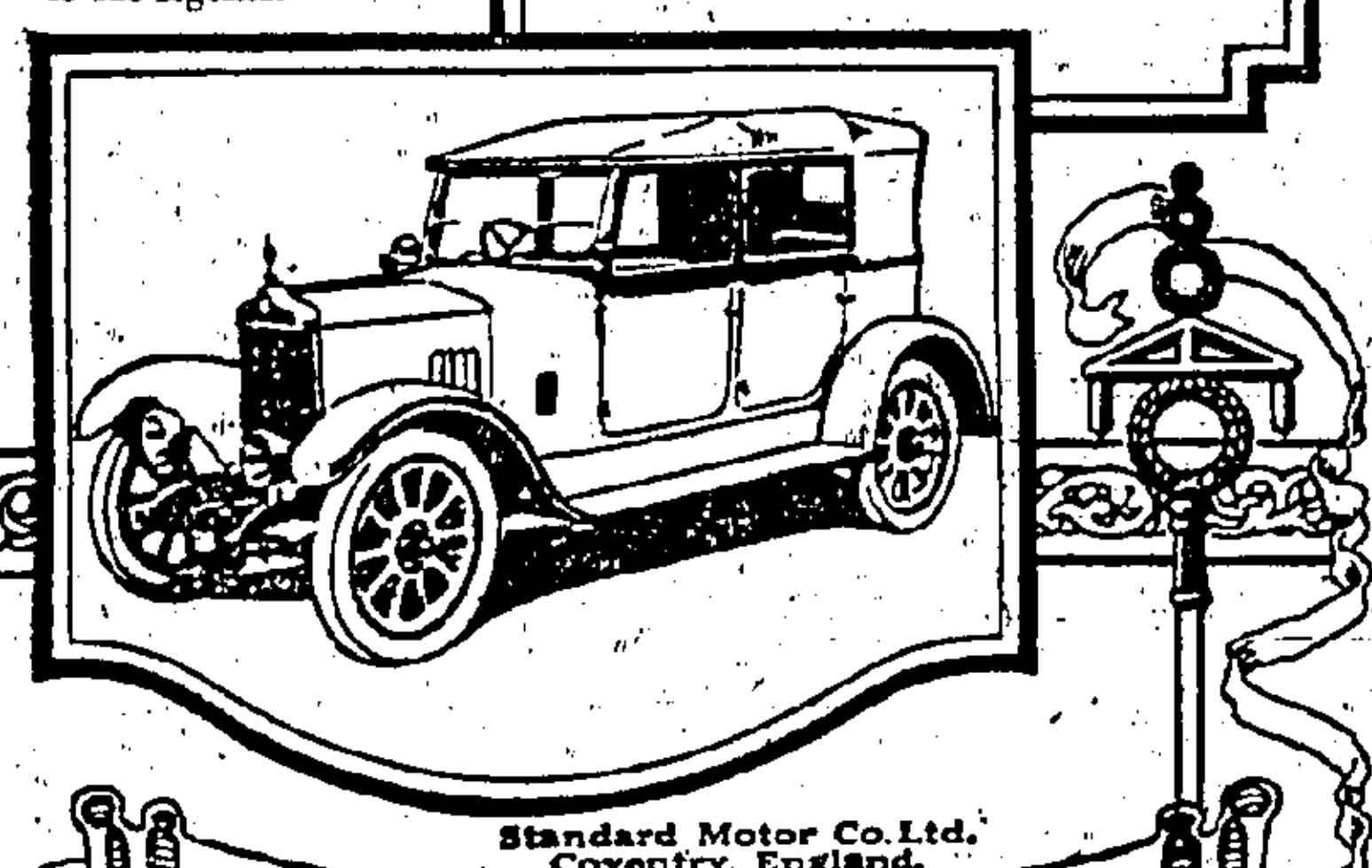
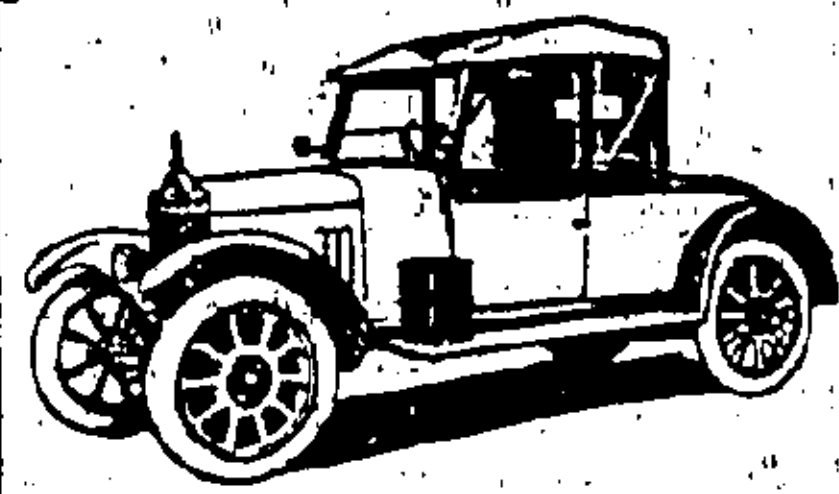
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BATHING FATALITY AT SINGAPORE. LADY KILLED BY A SHARK. EYE-WITNESSES' EVIDENCE AT INQUEST.

An inquest regarding the death of Miss Doris Bowyer-Smith, who was fatally injured by a shark at the Swimming Club on July 14th, was held by the Coroner (Mr. F. G. Bourne) on July 29th.

Mr. H. B. Salmund stated that on the evening of Wednesday, July 14th, he went to the Swimming Club with the deceased, the two children of Commander Carter, and Major Coventry. They arrived about 4.45, and five minutes later witness swam out to the diving-stage. The deceased went along the jetty, dived in from there, and swam to the stage. She climbed up the steps, and dived in again. Witness was climbing up the steps at the time. "She was apparently seized instantly by something, and dragged under. Witness could not say whether it was a shark, as he did not see it. By that time Commander Newill had arrived on the stage, and they both shouted for a boat to be sent from the shore. About fifteen seconds later the deceased came to the surface, apparently unconscious, and witness was able to drag her to the ladder, where Commander Newill and himself lifted her up on to the stage. The deceased's right leg was practically bitten off, and there was also a bite in her hand. There had evidently been a good deal of bleeding in the water. The deceased regained consciousness for about ten minutes, and died soon after Dr. Gilmour arrived. The depth of water at the time was about nine feet, and the water was choppy, so that witness was unable to see beneath the surface.

Lieut. Commander Newill stated that he entered the water and swam out to the diving-stage. When he was about a foot away from the steps he saw on the other side of the stage what appeared to be a shark's head amidst a swirl of water.

Dr. C. C. B. Gilmour stated that on the evening in question he went to the Swimming Club for a bath. On nearing the club he heard someone shrieking, but thought it was merely people playing about in the water. On reaching the club he was told that a lady was injured on the diving-stage, and he was warned not to go into the water, as there was a shark about. After a little time had been wasted in trying to attract the attention of a Japanese motor-boat witness went out to the stage in a ketch. He found the deceased in a state of extreme collapse, and he could only just feel her pulse. Mr. Gearing was putting pressure on the right femoral artery. There was a big wound on the right thigh which had severed all the tissues down to the bone. The bone was exposed, the middle portion of the thigh having been taken away. There was practically no bleeding from this wound. Witness made a tourniquet from a towel, but when the pressure was taken away from the artery there was no bleeding. The patient's pulse failed completely, and she died.

Continuing, Dr. Gilmour said that there was also a wound on the right calf which exposed the bones of the leg, several small wounds on the right foot, and a row of triangular wounds on the arm. The wound on the thigh was the important one, and if the deceased had survived it would have been necessary to have taken the leg off. Eventually the deceased's body was taken to the jetty in a motor-boat and removed to the mortuary in a hospital ambulance. The cause of death was shock and haemorrhage.

NOT A CROCODILE.

In reply to the Coroner, Dr. Gilmour said he thought that it was a shark which attacked the deceased. If it had been a big crocodile it would probably have smashed the bone in her thigh. The triangular wounds on her arm were quite superficial, and might have been caused by the deceased striking her arm against the brute. In view of the nature of the injuries, deceased had absolutely no chance at all of surviving. Inspector Bostock, who conducted the enquiry for the police, said that Mr. H. B. W. Lobb, the secretary of the Swimming Club, found the depth of water after the accident to be about nine feet. The Inspector added that no signs of sharks had been seen previously in this vicinity, although it was notorious that they abounded outside the breakwater and around St. John's Island.

The Coroner found that death was due to shock and haemorrhage following a shark-bite. He remarked that from the evidence that had been given there could be little doubt that the deceased was attacked by a shark, and the injuries were identical to those seen in the last three years. No one could be blamed for the accident.

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Astonishing speeds by tiny-engine motor-cycles and a thrilling side-car race brought the Tourist Trophy meeting to a close at Douglas on June 19th. The meeting has shown that the motor-cycle of to-day is appreciably faster than it was last year.

At the presentation of prizes by the Speaker of the House of Keys, it was disclosed by the judge that the most courageous performance of the week had been made by Judd, who rode a Douglas, which lost a foot rest in a crash. Judd rode with his foot on the exhaust pipe. The heat burned right through his boot and ate away the flesh of his heel. He was three times stopped by doctors, but refused to delay for medical attention.

Edwin Twemlow won the race for light-weight motor-cycles not exceeding two-and-a-half horse-power (250c.c.) in a New Imperial for the second year in succession.

This is the first time that the race has been won by a man on the same make of machine in two successive years. Twemlow set up a new speed record of 57.74 miles an hour for the 2251 cc. course, although he lost four minutes through sparking-plug trouble after he had started. He is nineteen years of age.

Kenneth Twemlow, brother of the winner, was third, also on a New Imperial. The brothers are sons of the managing director of the Foden Steam Wagon works.

FORCED TO RETIRE.

W. L. Handley, on a Rex-Arm, the winner of the junior race, broke the speed record for light-weights in the first day with a speed of 60.21 miles an hour. He started seventeenth out of nineteen competitors, and was sixth at the end of the first lap. His front tyre then burst, and the machine was so badly damaged that Handley had to retire. Only five competitors finished.

Age and experience were defeated by youth and dash in the last thrilling race between motor-cycles with side-cars when L. Parker romped home on a Douglas in record time.

The acrobatic side-car race is always the most popular with the crowd, and an additional thrill was provided to-day by a duel between E. Cowley, aged sixty-one years, whose grandson is a motor-cyclist, and Parker, whose age is twenty years. Cowley's grey beard, waving in the breeze, made him a picturesque figure in the race, but Parker outclassed him in a race in which three new records were created.

First came Dixon's lap from a standing start in 40 mins. 17 secs., then his flying lap record of 39 mins. 26 secs., and finally Parker's aggregate record of 55.22 miles an hour for the 151 miles course, compared with 51.3 miles an hour last year.

NINETY "PISTES."

Parker is the only amateur rider who has ever won the side-car T.T. He won ninety first prizes on a Douglas last year, and his machine to-day was a private entry machine. Douglas machines have now secured one Junior, one Senior, and two Sidecar T.T. awards.

Harry Reed's passenger, Hooson, had the most remarkable escape of the whole meeting. Sidecar passengers, in rounding the S-shaped Bradan Bridge, hurt themselves first to one side and then to the other, hanging out as far as they can to keep the machine's balance. The bridge is fringed with a jagged brick wall, and the spectators as they saw Hooson's head appeared to strike the wall. The sidecar was travelling at forty-five miles an hour. I saw something fall from Hooson's head, but the driver, not realising what had happened, accelerated.

The crowd rushed forward, despite the great danger of collisions from the following riders, and found to their relief that Hooson had only been "scalped" of his goggles.

Taylor on a Norton, and Griston, also on a Norton, were second and third in the race.

LORD READING AS SHIP'S BOY.
HIS FIRST VOYAGE TO INDIA.

His first voyage to India, as a ship's boy holystoning decks and polishing brass, was described amusingly by the Earl of Reading, who for many years was M.P. for Reading, when he was the guest of the Reading Chamber of Commerce last month. Lord and Lady Reading were cheered by crowds in the streets and were greeted by the mayor and civic representatives.

Declaring that he could not pretend to have any close connection with India or special qualification for going there as Viceroy, Lord Reading said it was true he had been to India once as a boy of some 17 years of age, sailing in a sailing vessel which in its voyage proceeded from Rio to Calcutta. He added:

I did not occupy a very high place. My main occupation was cleaning the brasswork and holystoning the deck. (Laughter.) I also did the various work which fell to one in my position when it came to reefing sails, hauling on ropes, and doing any odd jobs of navigation.

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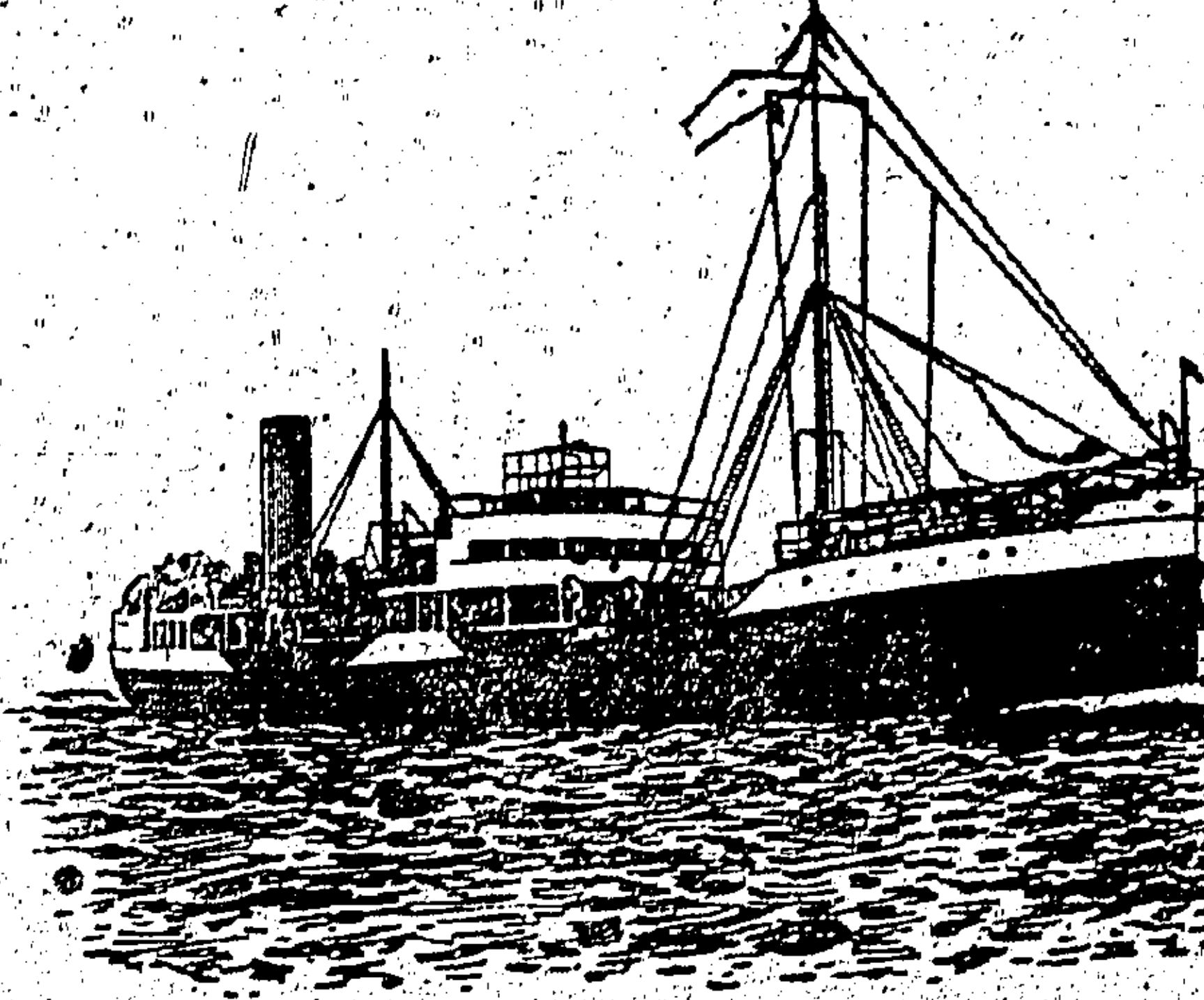
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The s.s. *Eastern Prince* from New York sailed from Karatsu, Japan, on July 26th, and is expected to arrive here on August 2nd.

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Now that the *Tung On* has been transferred to the Naval authorities completely and is being run as a commissioned ship of H.M. Navy, no passengers are being carried on her.

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HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

	Hongkong Observatory, July 29th.		
	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On 29th at 8 a.m.	On 29th at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.74	29.80	29.81
Temperature	89	78	83
Humidity	54	91	77
Wind Direction	W	Calm	East
Force	2	0	4
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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From July 30th to August 5th, 1925.

Days of Week	Days of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		H'kong Standard Time	Height	H'kong Standard Time	Height
Thurs.	30	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		4 28	5 4	11 13	2 6
Fri.	31	5 22	4 1	10 30	2 8
		5 21	6 0	9 30	2 0
Satur.	1	6 12	4 1	11 26	2 9
		7 01	5 1	1 33	1 3
Sun.	2	7 51	4 1	0 23	2 9
		8 49	4 2	3 24	0 7
Mon.	3	9 38	4 4	3 9	0 4
		10 21	4 4	2 4	2 8
Tues.	4	11 17	4 5	2 30	0 6
Wed.	5	12 04	4 5	4 34	0 2



HOME VIA CANADA

Future Sailings to VANCOUVER via Shanghai and Japan Ports and Atlantic Connect

Leave	Arrive	Leave	Due
Empress Australia Aug. 7	Aug. 26	Empress Scotland Sept. 2	Sept. 8
Empress Asia Aug. 20	Sept. 7	Empress France Sept. 19	Sept. 23
Empress Canada Sept. 4	Sept. 21	Empress Scotland Sept. 30	Oct. 7
Empress Kusasa Sept. 17	Oct. 5	Empress France Oct. 14	Oct. 21

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HONGKONG—MANILA—HONGKONG SERVICE

Leave	Arrive	Leave	Arrive
Hongkong Aug. 12	Manila Aug. 14	Manila Aug. 15	Hongkong Aug. 17
Aug. 25	Aug. 28	EMPEROR CANADA Aug. 29	Aug. 31

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 HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM & Ports.
 LIMA MARU Monday, 10th Aug.
 LIVERPOOL via ADEN & MARSEILLES.
 TOYOHASHI MARU Sunday, 16th Aug.
 SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.
 MISHIMA MARU Wednesday, 19th August
 NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
 BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.
 KANAGAWA MARU Sunday, 9th Aug.
 BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.
 TOKUSHIMA MARU Wednesday, 12th August,
 CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
 RANGOON MARU Tuesday, 18th Aug.
 NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
 TANGO MARU Thursday, 20th August
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"SOUHAN"	6,698	15th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KALWA"	10,841	17th Oct.	Marseilles & London.
"SICILIA"	6,813	23rd Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KHYVA"	9,135	31st Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"MANTUA"	10,902	14th Nov.	Marseilles & London.
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"NARKUNDA"	10,327	21st Aug.	Shanghai.
"KARMA"	8,123	4th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	12th Sept.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"SOUHAN"	10,841	18th Sept.	Shanghai & Kobe.
"KALWA"	6,698	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"SICILIA"	6,813	2nd Oct.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	10th Oct.	Shanghai & Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	17th Oct.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KALYAN"	9,144	1st Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"DELTA"	9,087	1st Nov.	Shanghai & Kobe.
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PAUL LECAT	17th July, "	18th Aug. "	18th Sept. "
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